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**EU COMMISSION AUTHORISES IMMEDIATE FINANCIAL AID FOR  
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The EU Commission today authorised the bridge financing designed as interim financing to safeguard the business model of Austrian Airlines.

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